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Sir:

I hereby certify that each document listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 was cited in a Japanese Office Action, dated May 27, 2002, which issued in a corresponding international application not more than three months ago. An English abstract of the disclosure comprises each of the five Japanese references. The relevance of each reference is outlined below.

Japanese Application H-10-173660 refers to an asynchronous transfer mode (abbreviated as "ATM") LANA, used in the field of plant watching and controlling system, which must be guaranteed to be free of malfunction. This invention provides an ATM LAN with high reliability comprising a defect detector, a redundancy data-transfer means, and a network setting means.

Japanese Application H-6-208408 provides a link system from programmable controllers to an upper rank computer, which prevents any one of the programmable controllers from executing a request command from the upper rank computer twice without the necessity of using any complicated communication controlling proceeding.

Japanese Application H-7-221791 describes a roundabout way system for frame relay lines, showing three embodiments. The network is equipped with no data resending means.

Japanese Application H-7-336335 provides a way to shorten the time involved for transferring frames and reduce the communication traffic quantity in a wireless communication system.

Japanese Application 2000-13537 describes a communication method, apparatus and system which prevents double recording, which otherwise, would be caused by line defects.

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